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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1 1. (Proposed-Currently amended) A method for obtaining a current value of a Management
2 Information base (MIB) variable stored in a managed network device in a network,
3 the method comprising the steps of:
4 receiving a connection of a Web browser to a first managed network device;
5 receiving at the first managed network device an HTTP request message from the
6 browser to obtain the current value of the MIB variable from the first
7 managed network device to which the MIB variable value pertains;
8 translating the HTTP request message, by the first managed network device, to
9 another protocol if necessary for communicating with the MIB of the first
10 managed network device;
11 receiving the current value of the MIB variable from the MIB of the first managed
12 network device to which the MIB variable value pertains; and
13 communicating the current value of the MIB variable from the first managed network
14 device to which the MIB variable value pertains to the browser using an
15 HTTP reply message.

Respectfully Submitted,

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